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News from ITC

Fall 1996

Board of Trustees Names Robert M. Franklin As ITC's Next President

On October 9, the ITC Board of Trustees named Dr. Robert M. Franklin, Jr. as ITC's sixth president. Dr. Franklin returns to his roots of the Atlanta University Center, having graduated from Morehouse College in 1975. A member of the Church of God in Christ denomination, he was most recently program officer with The Ford Foundation in the Rights and Social Justice Program and associate professor at Emory's Candler School of Theology.

Dr. Franklin received the Master of Divinity degree from Harvard Divinity School and the Ph.D. degree from the University of Chicago Divinity School. He has taught at Colgate Rochester, Harvard, and the University of Chicago divinity schools. As a clergyperson, Dr. Franklin served as chaplain at St. Bernard Hospital and assistant to the pastor at St. Paul Church of God in Christ, both in Chicago.

Dr. Emmanuel McCall, former chair of the Board of Trustees and chair of the Search Committee said, regarding Dr. Franklin's selection, "From the moment the Search Committee began its work, one name emerged to the surface and remained there. We had our doubts about whether we could attract him to ITC because of the significance of his work with The Ford Foundation. But in the providence of God, we are grateful that Dr. Robert Michael Franklin is the person God has chosen as successor to Dr. Costen. He comes with the unanimous endorsement of the ITC community."

Currently chairing the Board of Trustees is Bishop Roy L. H. Winbush. Regarding Franklin, he said, "With the election of Dr. Franklin, ITC's leadership will continue to be solid, going well into the next century. His scholarship and administrative ability will serve ITC well in academic circles and his experience and relationships will serve well in the external community."

Among the numerous publications authored by Dr. Franklin are the books *Liberating Visions: Human Fulfillment and Social Justice in African American Thought and Religion and the American Family Debate* (co-author), the latter forthcoming in 1997. He sits on the board of the Association of Theological Schools and the editorial board of the *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*.

Dr. Franklin says he has admired ITC from afar for many years and considers it a huge honor to follow President James Costen in providing leadership for this "national treasure."

"I look forward to being a servant-leader for this esteemed institution and a partner with all those who are dedicated to working for a whole community and just society."

President-elect Franklin was enthusiastically received by the ITC community when he preached in chapel on October 10th. The community looks forward to his leadership when he assumes his duties as president on July 1, 1997.

Dr. Franklin is married to Dr. Cheryl Goffney Franklin, an obstetrician/gynecologist with Meridian Medical Group in Atlanta. They have three children.



Dr. Robert M. Franklin

ITC Welcomes New Staff

The community welcomes the following new employees:

- **Barbara Bilberry**, administrative assistant to Phillips School of Theology
- **Janette King** ('96, GTS), administrative assistant to the vice president for Academic Services
- **Mary Larche**, coordinator of Faculty and Support Services
- **Joette Murphy**, manager, James H. Costen Lifelong Education Center
- **Kimberly Seals**, secretary to the Institute of Church Administration and Management
- **Tracey Strother**, switchboard operator/office assistant, Office of Administrative Services
- **Terrence Watts**, supervisor, Cokesbury/ITC bookstore
- **Hattie Williams**, housing director for Turner Theological Seminary
- **Ken Williams** ('94, TTS), secretary for Faculty and Support Services
- **Dr. John Heyward, Jr.** is the new interim dean of Gammon Theological Seminary. He is a native of South Carolina and comes to ITC from Unity United Methodist Church in Webster Groves, Missouri.
- **Martha Lewis** has been promoted to administrative secretary of Transcripts and Certification, Registrar's Office. She served the past five years as secretary to the faculty in the office of Faculty and Support Services.



WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT - ELECT

"ITC is an extraordinary resource for helping churches to mend our frayed social fabric. As the intellectual servant of the church, the seminary is a place where liberating visions are nurtured and strategic plans for healing our families and neighborhoods are developed."

"I'd like to explore the development of an institute for examining the role of the church and community economic development. With the collaborative resources within the greater Atlanta community, ITC is well-positioned to make a claim for hosting the nation's premier center on this endeavor."

"ITC merits greater support from churches and communities that have benefited from ITC's graduates and the writings and presentations of its faculty. ITC alums around the nation should be encouraged to take the lead in generating broad community support for this institution."

"I believe that I have the background, and the experience, training, aptitudes, vision, and energy to carry the ITC banner high and far."

News & Notes from the Office of Institutional Advancement

A cafeteria line always challenges us to choose from many tempting offerings. The choices we make depend on how hungry we are, what foods we like or don't like, how many calories we want to avoid, etc., etc., etc. We would be disappointed if the cafeteria offered only one choice.

Being a contributor to ITC can take you to a "cafeteria line" of giving opportunities. You don't have just one choice: out of pocket cash. Consider other selections:

- Insurance - You can give a paid up life insurance policy that is no longer needed and get a tax deduction for the cash value of the policy. You can also make ITC the owner and beneficiary of a policy, get a deduction for the face value, and deduct future premiums!
- Securities - You can give stock that has increased in value and deduct the market value on the day of the gift without paying any capital gains tax regardless of what you paid for the stock.

- Real estate - Like stock, you can give real estate with many of the same benefits to you.
- Income gifts - These gifts actually pay you (and a survivor, if you choose) income for life!
- Bequests - These are gifts made in your Will and may take various forms such as specific dollar amounts, a percent of your estate or part or all of what remains after you have provided for your loved one and/or others.

The Office of Institutional Advancement has information available on each of these "cafeteria selections." Whatever your choice, you and ITC will be healthier. For your free, no obligation, copies, please write or phone:

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ITC Journal Offering Pre-Purchase of "Costen Commemorative Issue"

The ITC Journal Office will publish a "Costen Commemorative Issue" of the *Journal of ITC* which will highlight Dr. Costen's presidency. Included will be the history of the Costen administration, pictorial section, and a selection of sermons and lectures by Dr. Costen. With the cost of your subscription to the JITC (\$24.00/year), you can receive a copy of the special edition. A hardbound, signed and numbered, limited edition of the same will also be available. The cost is \$50. Please express your interest to purchase either edition by completing the form below and returning to: ITC, OIA, 700 Martin Luther King, Jr., Drive, S.W., Atlanta, GA 30314. Make checks payable to: ITC Press (for subscriptions) or to ITC (for hardbound).

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Plans Underway to Celebrate President Costen's Presidency

The Board of Trustees, ITC Associates, the community at large, and other entities within the ITC community are busily preparing to celebrate the presidency and retirement of President Costen. On Thursday, April 3, 1997 at the Hyatt Regency in downtown Atlanta, the Costen Celebration/Charter Day Banquet will be held. (Generally, the Charter Day Banquet is in March, but is being combined with the Costen celebration this year.) During the banquet, several presentations to Dr. Costen will be made and will include new awards named in his honor.

During chapel service on April 3rd, the student body, along with other members of the ITC community, will share in their celebration of Dr. Costen's presidency. Those plans are underway.

For information regarding the banquet, please contact Ken Merwin or Cassandra Baker at (404) 527-7717 and 527-7718, respectively.

First AUCenterwide United Way Kickoff Held on Campus

Continuing in the cooperative spirit of the Olympics, the six Atlanta University Center schools—Clark Atlanta University, ITC, Morehouse College, Morehouse School of Medicine, Morris Brown College, and Spelman College—held the first annual AUCenterwide United Way kickoff, October 9. Held on the ITC campus, several hundred members of the faculty, staff, students, and administration of the six institutions came together to "Celebrate Sharing" in the carnival-like atmosphere complete with tent, cotton candy, games, and entertainment from each of the schools. The event was headed by Ron Welcome, Campaign Unit Director with United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta and Steadman Scavella, an executive on loan from Atlanta Gas Light Company. The effort was enthusiastically supported by the AUC Council of Presidents.

Two Courses to Highlight AUC Initiative on Service Learning

ITC has historically incorporated service learning components in its curriculum. Traditionally carried out through applied scholarship, practice of ministry, and field education assignments, this component has gained new emphasis in higher education institutions today. Service learning engages students in experiential education that integrates theory with practice through projects that extend beyond the institution in meeting needs of people in the larger community. Rev. Amy Hartsfield, chaplain, has been instrumental in connecting the ITC to the larger Atlanta University Center service learning initiative. Two courses in the regular ITC curriculum will give particular emphasis to service learning in the 1996-97 academic year as part of the AUC initiatives. One of the courses is on Missions and will be taught by Dr. Marsha Snulligan Haney. The second course is Ministry with Youth taught by Dr. Anne Streaty Wimberly.

First Fall Scholar's Guild Addressed Ed Wimberly's Upcoming Book

The first fall ITC Scholar's Guild, held October 1, presented Dr. Edward Wimberly, Jarena Lee Professor of Pastoral Care and Counseling, who reviewed his forthcoming book, *Counseling African American Couples and Families*. The book, available in March, 1997, addresses the emphasis of male headship and leadership in the home and how such an emphasis has the potential for domination of women and children. The book presents an alternative model of mutuality which has its foundation in the Bible as well as in African American tradition. Specific concerns addressed by the model include sexual dysfunction in marriage, spouse abuse, and extramarital affairs. The Scholar's Guild is designed to introduce participants to current literature that will better enable them to address prevailing issues. The next Guild is scheduled for January 14, 1997.

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We regret that the following individuals were omitted from the Donor Recognition listings in the last issue of The Lantern and extend apologies to them.

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Alumni Notes

Cheryl Battice ('90, GTS) is pastor of New Oakland City UMC in Atlanta.

James Belle ('96, JCS) was installed as pastor of Haymount Presbyterian Church (Fayetteville, NC) on September 8. Participants included Drs. James and Melva Costen and **David Wallace ('74, JCS)**.

Marsha F. Boyd ('77, TTS) received her Ph.D. from the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, CA this past May. She has been an assistant professor of Pastoral Care and Counseling at United Theological Seminary in Dayton, OH since 1990.

On September 1, **Joreatha M. Capers ('90, GTS)**, pastor of Stewart Memorial UMC in Daytona Beach, FL, became assistant general secretary for the Black College Fund and Ethnic Concerns of the Division of Higher Education, General Board of Higher Education and Ministry.

Claudette A. ('77, CHM) and David M. Copeland ('76, CHM) dedicated the new 12,900 square foot worship center of New Creation Christian Fellowship on August 11 (San Antonio, TX). Claudette and David serve as co-pastors of the church.

Pianapue K. Early ('93, GTS) former manager of the Cokesbury/ITC bookstore, is liaison officer with the All Liberian Conference's Peace and Justice Task Force, a position he began on September 3.

Eugene Gillen ('95, ITC) is enrolled in the D.Min. program at ITC, with an emphasis in pastoral counseling. He will wed Yolanda Arnold in April, 1997.

Congratulations to **Maurice Gladney ('93, MSR)** who was married on July 27 in Mississippi.

Juan P. Guthrie ('94, JCS) was united in holy matrimony to the former Michelle Y. Lamarr on July 27 in New Jersey.

Felicia Harding-Smith ('92, TTS) has been selected to serve as the director of Resources and Development of the African Foundation for Negro Affairs (AFNA) National Education and Research Fund. The Fund engages in the advancement of human development across-the-board in education. Aside from her position, she lectures to college and graduate students in a "Frontiers of Knowledge" course: Integrated Concepts in Science, Philosophy and Education... The Nature of Mathematics, Signs, Symbols and Personality, and The Workplace in a Technological Society.

Michael W. Heard ('90, CHM) began a one-year appointment as an international fellow in Kenya, through the International Foundation for Education and Self-Help, in August. He will provide instruction in agriculture education in the Kenyan Public School System. Additionally, he will serve as a part-time pastor.

Clarence Kelby Heath ('96, PST) is pastor of Bethel CME Church in Sarasota, FL.

Charlie J. Johnson ('60 & '73, MSR) is currently enrolled as a Ph.D. candidate in theology at Trinity Theological

Seminary, the same institution from which he received his Th.D. and D.Min. He is honorably retired from the Presbyterian Church, USA and serves as interim pastor of the Athens/Sweetwater Parish of the Presbytery of East Tennessee. Johnson is also an adjunct professor at Tennessee Wesleyan College, Athens, TN.

Harold J. Lockett ('84, CHM) has been named the new associate director for Professional and Pastoral Education for the LifeLink Foundation in Atlanta. His responsibilities include raising awareness about organ and tissue donations.

Julius H. McAllister, Jr. ('96, TTS) son of **Julius H. McAllister, Sr. ('82, TTS)** was united in matrimony to the former Deana Elizabeth Young on August 10 at Big Bethel A.M.E. Church in Atlanta.

William Meanes ('93, JCS) was married on August, 24 to Pamela J. Malone in Belleville, IL. He received his D.Min. this past May from United Theological Seminary in Dayton, OH.

Valrie I. Perry ('95, TTS) is pastor of St. Paul A.M.E. Church in Madison, GA. Additionally, she serves as a counselor for Dismas Charities, a sanctioned center for persons transitioning out of the prison system.

Erma Raymond ('95, TTS) is pastor of Fairfield A.M.E. Church in Douglasville, GA.

Paul Roberts ('96, JCS) and his wife, Nina, announce the birth of their daughter, Nia LaRose, born August 11, weighing 5lb. 11 oz.

Larry L. Shaw ('86, CHM) was consecrated a bishop of the Church of God in Christ on September 14 at Greater Community COGIC (Marietta, GA). He has been assigned to South Korea. At the time of his consecration, he was pastoring in Hinesville, GA.

Archie E. Simmons ('93, JCS) served as a chaplain to the soldiers in Atlanta during the 1996 Summer Olympics and Paralympics.

Kenneth D. Thomas ('96, PST) has been appointed to Rock of Ages CME Church in Memphis, TN.

Congratulations to **Charles W. Towner ('94, MSR)** who was married on June 29.

Phyllis M. Townsend ('95, CHM) is an adjunct instructor at Beulah Heights Bible College (Atlanta, GA) teaching African American Church Worship.

Cynthia V. Vaughan ('96, GTS) was ordained a deacon in the North Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church on May 31. She began a chaplain residency at the Emory Center for Pastoral Services in August.

Daren Waters, Sr. ('96, CHM) is a chaplain resident at Grady Memorial Hospital (Atlanta).

Vonshurii WRIGHT ('95, TTS) is a chaplain/counselor with the Atlanta Union Mission. Additionally, he serves as a substance abuse counselor/facilitator with the DeKalb Court Services and the Clifton Springs Substance Abuse Center.

John Young ('94, GTS) is pastor of Key and Emory United Methodist Churches in Murfreesboro, TN.

NEW POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Vitae are now being accepted for the following positions for 1997-98 academic year:

Three faculty positions - Theology; Homelitics; and Missions, Evangelism and Religions of the World.

Administrative position - Coordinator of Student and Community Life (to be filled by January, 1997)

If interested in applying for either position, please send your vitae to: Dr. Calvin S. Morris, Vice President for Academic Services/Academic Dean, ITC, 700 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, S.W., Atlanta, GA 30314. Or you may call him at (404) 527-7704.

About Our Faculty

Our faculty members have been quite busy over the summer. Following are some highlights of their involvement:

Dr. Melva W. Costen, Helmar Nielsen Professor of Worship and Music

-Lecturer, "The Black Church Experience of Music and Worship" at McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago, IL

-Workshop leader/lecturer, "African American Hymnody and Published Hymnals: 1801-1996," at the Annual Meeting of the Hymn Society of the United States and Canada, Oberlin Conservatory of Music, Oberlin, Ohio

-Attended Conference of the World Alliance of Theological School Accrediting Agencies, Kenya, East Africa

Publications:

-"An African-American Model of Worship," in *The Complete Library of Christian Worship*, Vol. II, 249-251

-"Ways for Educators to Keep Growing Spiritually," *Association of Presbyterian Christian Educators Publication*, Introductory article, 1995

Publications Under Contract

-Thirty-four articles in *Worship Music: A Concise Dictionary*, to be published by The Liturgical Press, 1999

-*Black Christian Worship*, rev. edition, Atlanta: The ITC Press, 1997. A revised edition of the 1992 publication; Special edition of *The Journal of the Interdenominational Theological Center*.

Dr. Riggins Earl has returned from sabbatical. During his sabbatical he:

-Read a paper at the Centenary Celebration of Booker T. Washington's Atlanta Cotton Exposition Speech that was held on the campus of Tuskegee University. The title of the paper was "Washington's Atlanta Exposition Speech: Religious and Moral Leadership Claims from Within the Vortex of Racism and Classism." He was one of six national scholars to read a major paper at the celebration.

-Completed the first draft of proposed essays for publication entitled "Restoration As Liberation: The Secularization of the Black Church." The general thesis of these essays is that the traditional Black church must recover both the moral and redemptive power of language in its restoration as liberation project.

With a summer research grant from ITC, **Dr. Mark Ellingsen** spent the summer completing the manuscript for his new book, *We Have Roots* to be published by Trinity Press International. The volume is a textbook for seminary and undergraduate Introduction to Church History courses. Based on his lectures in Church History courses at ITC, the book will highlight the African-American Christian experience and the contribution of early African Christianity to the Church catholic. The volume is tentatively slated for publication in 1997 or early 1998.

Dr. Jacquelyn Grant, Fuller E. Callaway Professor of Systematic Theology

-Attended the Centennial Anniversary of the AME Church in Cape Town and Johannesburg, South Africa. While there she responded to a paper by Larry Murphy entitled "The Future of the Church in South Africa."

-Presented "Who's Going to Tell Your Daughter 'No'" ("Who Are You Going to Allow to Tell Your Daughter 'No'") at the Women's Missionary Society of the AME Church's Quadrennial Meeting, held in July in Detroit, MI.

-The Black Women in Church and Society Program, of which Dr. Grant is director, received a two-year \$300,000 grant from the Ford Foundation for the Ford Fellows in Community Service Program's proposal, "The Black Church and Youth in Crisis."

Dr. Temba L. J. Mafico published several articles during the 1995-96 academic year which included:

- "God's New Name Yahweh Elohim and the Unification

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1997 ISRAEL, SINAI, EGYPT, AND GREECE TRIP PLANNED

The Biblical Studies Club of ITC is planning a trip to the Middle East and Greece May 14-June 2, 1997. It will cover many of the important archaeological and historical sites in the Bible Lands which include Israel, Greece and Egypt. The trip is open to students and faculty as well as Alumni/ae. For more information, contact Dr. Temba Mafico, Biblical Studies Club Director, at (404) 527-7746 or e-mail him at Mapamba@worldnet.att.net. During the summer, the Biblical Studies Group visited Zimbabwe, South Africa.

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of Israel: A Challenge to African Americans," *Journal of the Interdenominational Theological Center*, Vol. 23/1 (1995), 49-69 - "Were the 'Judges' of Israel Like the African Spirit Mediums?" Text and Experience: *Toward a Cultural Exegesis of the Bible*. ed. D. Smith-Christopher, Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press (1995), 330-343

- "The Divine Name Yahweh Elohim From an African Perspective," in *Reading From This Place: Social Local and Biblical Interpretation in Global Perspectives*, eds. E.S. Segovia & M. A. Tolbert, Minneapolis: Fortress Press (1995), 21-32

- "The Divine Name Yahweh Elohim and Israel's Polytheism," *Journal of Northwest Semitic Languages*, Vol. 22/1 (1996), 1-18.

Dr. David Rensberger completed the manuscript of a commentary on the epistles of John, scheduled to be published in 1997 by Abingdon Press in their Abingdon New Testament Commentaries series. He is writing articles on these epistles and related topics for the forthcoming *Eerdmans Dictionary of the Bible*. He is also revising a paper read at the Society of Biblical Literature meeting in 1994 for a volume of the Symposium Series to be published by Scholars Press.

Dr. Anne Streaty Wimberly has two books recently released:

- *The Church Family Sings: Christian Learning Through Music and Bible People: Disciples*. A Study Book in The Bible People Series, using the inquiry-discovery method. Both are published by Abingdon Press.

- Dr. Wimberly was keynote speaker and workshop leader on the topic, "Spiritual Growth of Pastors Through Story-Linking," at the East Ohio United Methodist Church School for Ministry, Baldwin-Wallace College in Berea, Ohio, July 29-August 1. On September 20 she addressed the Post Conference of the Midwest Regional Association of Pastoral Counselors on the topic, "Uses of Music in Healing."

Necrology

Ralph Lowe ('89, JCS) died of a heart attack August 25 in Charlotte, NC. He was university chaplain and admissions counselor at Johnson C. Smith University and was the "spiritual advisor" to the Smith University Golden Bulls basketball team. At the time of his death, he was actively involved in the J. R. Reid In-Reach Youth Program, a member of the Black Ministers Organization of Charlotte, the Black Caucus and the Higher Education Committee of the Presbyterian Church, USA. He is survived by his wife, Magdalyn, and six children. The funeral was held on the Johnson C. Smith University campus.

Leroy Sneed ('86, TTS) died Sunday, September 15. He was pastoring Greater Mt. Zion AME Church in St. Petersburg, FL. at the time of his death. He had also served several other churches including St. Andrews AME (Jacksonville Beach, FL), Mt. Moriah AME (Cocoa, FL), and St. Paul AME (Mayport, FL). He is survived by his wife E. Pearl and one daughter.

Student Christian League Installs 1996-97 Officers

The following Student Christian League (SCL) officers were elected and installed for the 1996-97 academic year:

Artie C. Maxwell, Jr. (Morehouse) - President
Philis Griffin (Turner) - Vice president
Tammy Nichols (Morehouse) - Secretary
Curtis West (Phillips) - Corresponding Sec.
Addison Burgess (Turner) - Chaplain
Orea Parker (Turner) and **Diedrick Graham** (Mason) - Board of Trustees Representatives
Bridgette Hector (Morehouse) - Treasurer
Jackson Yenn-Batah (Phillips) - Public Relations

Remembering Dr. Farlough

Dr. H. Eugene Farlough, former coordinator of Student Life/Assistant to the Dean for At-Large Students who died in May, was, among other things, a writer. He often wrote wonderful words to people for special occasions. For his acrostics and paraphrasing he was most famous. As devotional leader for a Board meeting one April morning last year, he wrote the following. It is a paraphrase of I Corinthians 12:14-27 and speaks to the unity at ITC:

For the ITC does not consist of one seminary but of many. If Morehouse School of Religion should say, "Because we are not Phillips School of Theology, we do not belong to the ITC," that would not make it any less a part of the ITC.

And if Charles H. Mason Seminary should say, "Because we are not Johnson C. Smith Seminary, we do not belong to the ITC, that would not make it any less a part of the ITC. If the whole ITC were at Turner Theological Seminary, what would become of the Gammon Theological Seminary? If the whole ITC were at Morehouse School of Religion, what would become of Charles H. Mason Seminary? But as it is, God arranged the different seminaries, each one of them, as God chose. If all were in a single seminary, where would the ITC be?

As it is, there are many constituent seminaries, yet one ITC. The AME's cannot say to CME's, "We have no need of you," nor can the Baptists say to the COGIC's, "We have no need of you," nor again the United Methodists cannot say to the Presbyterians, "We have no need of you." On the contrary, the seminaries which are smaller are as indispensable as the larger ones. And those prospective denominational

seminaries we think less interested, we seek to federate, which our present seminaries do not require.

But God has harmonized the whole ITC by giving importance of presence to At-Large seminarians also who lack apparent significance, so that ITC works together as a united Community in spiritual syncopation one with another. If one seminary suffers, all suffer together; if one seminary is honored, all rejoice together.

Now we are the Interdenominational Theological Center of Jesus Christ and individual seminaries of it.

Fourth Annual Parents and Youth Convocation Plans Underway for 1997

The Fourth Annual Parents and Youth Convocation sponsored by the Christian Education Department of ITC will be held Saturday, February 15, 1997 at ITC. The theme of the event is family health with particular focus on family, church, and community supports of the health of our youth. As in the past, this convocation is for parents and youth in the churches and community in and beyond the Atlanta area, and is an important way in which students in the ministry with youth courses engage in service learning. The convocation builds on partnerships developed between churches, community social service agencies, and schools. Additional information may be obtained from Dr. Anne Streaty Wimberly by calling (404) 527-7739.

Calendar of Events

October

- 22-25 Grant and Gift Administration - Institute of Church Administration and Management (ICAM) workshop
- 22 Internal Campaign kickoff
- 24 "Eggs & Issues" - Organ Donation and Transplantation: A Unique Ministry - Rev. Harold J. Lockett, LifeLink
- 29 Minnie Turnipseed Moore Lectures - Mr. Jim Wallis, editor, *Sojourners* magazine, lecturer

November

- 4-5 Alumni Phonathon
- 6 Famous Folk Forum - Mr. Henry "Hank" Aaron, The Atlanta Braves
- 6-8 Developing a Comprehensive Church Budget - ICAM workshop
- 14 Artists-In-Resident - "Faithful Expressions" (a liturgical potpourri of talent—liturgical dancers, a storyteller, and note singers)
- 20 Famous Folk Forum - Ms. Monica Kaufman, news anchor, WSB-TV
- 26 Internal Campaign culmination/Thanksgiving feast

December

- 3 Gammon Theological Seminary Founders' Day/Thirkield-Jones Lectures
- 5 Advent/Christmas Musical - The ITC Chorus
- 21 Semester ends
- 24-January 2, 1997 HOLIDAY



Mr. Jim Wallis, editor-in-chief, *Sojourners* magazine, 1996 Minnie Turnipseed Moore Lecturer

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